

### **REMARKS**

The present invention relates a protein belonging to the TNF superfamily termed "TRANCE" to, *inter alia*, and novel nucleic acids encoding the same.

Claims 1-86 are pending in the application and have been restricted into 9 groups as indicated in the Restriction Requirement dated June 21, 2004. Applicants hereby elect to prosecute the claims of Group I, Claims 1-8, 16-25, 27 and 37, drawn to polynucleotides and means of expression. Therefore, claims 1-8, 16-25, 27 and 37 are under consideration in this application following entry of the present Response to Restriction Requirement.

### **Revocation and Appointment of Attorney by Assignee**

Kindly note that the undersigned, Attorney for Applicants, is now new counsel for Applicants in connection with the above-captioned application. A Revocation and Appointment of Attorney by Assignee is being filed in this application contemporaneously herewith to reflect these changes. A courtesy copy of the Revocation and Appointment of Attorney by Assignee is enclosed herewith for the Examiner's convenience.

Summary

Favorable examination of claims 1-8, 16-25, 27, and 37 is respectfully requested.

Respectfully submitted,

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